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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON A.T. INTERNATIONAL

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1. DESK OFFICER SPOKE WITH REPRESENTATIVE OF A.T. INTERNATIONAL WILLIAM PIERCE ON AUGUST 7 TO DISCUSS ORGANIZATION'S INTERESTS IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC. PIERCE SAID THAT A.T. INTERNATIONAL IS A NEW PRIVATE VOLUNTARY ORGANIZATION ESTABLISHED AS A RESULT OF THE FOOD ASSISTANCE ACT OF 1975, TO DISSEMINATE APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGIES TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. PIERCE SAID THAT ATI HAS HERETOFORE CONCENTRATED ON PROGRAMS IN AFRICA. HOLLOWAY WAS HIRED AS A CONSULTANT TO INVESTIGATE POSSIBILITIES IN THE PACIFIC ISLANDS AREA.

2. SINCE ATI IS RELATIVELY NEW ORGANIZATION THERE IS NO RECORD OF ITS ACCOMPLISHMENTS, ALTHOUGH FROM ALL APPEARANCES
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IT IS LEGITIMATE ORGANIZATION. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S COMMENTS ON DISCUSSIONS WITH HOLLOWAY.

3. UNDOUBTEDLY THERE WILL BE GROWING NUMBER OF ORGANIZATIONS OF THIS TYPE LOOKING INTO NEW PACIFIC ISLANDS FIELD, SPAWNED BY PROSPECT OF INCREASED USG ASSISTANCE TO REGION.
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